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For: METHOD FOR MAKING A PRODUCT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 6. (Amended) A method according to claim 3, wherein the template also comprises a digital representation of a character-interpretation field (A) with a position code, each image point of the digital representation of the character-interpretation field (A) corresponding to a position on the imaginary surface (601).
- 7. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the method also comprises the steps of

showing the digital representation (301) of at least part of the product on a display (111), with several pixels, each pixel being allocated one or more pixels,

when a pixel on the display (111) is marked, converting this into corresponding image points and converting each image point into a position on the imaginary surface (601), and

initiating the operation by use of the position on the imaginary surface (601).

8. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, which also comprises the step of

defining and connecting an operation to at least one of said at least one activation area (308) in the digital representation (301) of the product.

9. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, which also comprises the step of

producing a physical product corresponding to the digital representation (301) of the product.

13. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein the physical product is made using a laser printer.

- 14. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, wherein the physical product is made by printing.
 - 19. (Amended) A memory medium according to claim 16, wherein the program is further arranged to receive information for connecting an operation to at least one of said at least one activation area (308).
 - 30. (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer for performing the method of any of claims 26-28.

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REMARKS

The amendment to the claims is merely to delete multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for examination. Entry of the present amendment and favorable action on the above-identified application are earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up copy of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The claims have been amended as follows:

- 6. (Amended) A method according to claim 3, [4 or 5,] wherein the template also comprises a digital representation of a character-interpretation field (A) with a position code, each image point of the digital representation of the character-interpretation field (A) corresponding to a position on the imaginary surface (601).
- 7. (Amended) A method according to [any one of claims 1-6] claim 1, wherein the method also comprises the steps of

showing the digital representation (301) of at least part of the product on a display (111), with several pixels, each pixel being allocated one or more pixels,

when a pixel on the display (111) is marked, converting this into corresponding image points and converting each image point into a position on the imaginary surface (601), and

initiating the operation by use of the position on the imaginary surface (601).

8. (Amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, which also comprises the step of

defining and connecting an operation to at least one of said at least one activation area (308) in the digital representation (301) of the product.

9. (Amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, which also comprises the step of

producing a physical product corresponding to the digital representation (301) of the product.

- 13. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, [10, 11 or 12,] wherein the physical product is made using a laser printer.
- 14. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, [10, 11, 12 or 13,] wherein the physical product is made by printing.
- 19. (Amended) A memory medium according to claim 16, [17 or 18,] wherein the program is further arranged to receive information for connecting an operation to at least one of said at least one activation area (308).
- 30. (Amended) A computer program product comprising a computer for performing the method of anyone of [claim 26-29] claims 26-28.